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In re application of : Confirmation No. 2860  
Shunichi SHIOZAWA et al. : Docket No. 2001\_1298A  
Serial No. 09/936,989 : Group Art Unit 1634  
Filed October 30, 2001 : Examiner C. Myers

RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS GENE AND METHOD  
FOR DIAGNOSING RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a one month extension of time to respond to the communication of  
November 27, 2002.

The fee of \$110.00 is

- ☒ submitted herewith.  
☐ to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.  
☐ Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which  
☐ is enclosed.  
☐ has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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